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Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
Aug. 7	Belize	Mobile	18	1	1
7	Preston	New Orleans	37	7	15
7	Frances	New York	7	0	0
8	Frutera	New York via Central American ports.	25	0	0
12	Venus	Pensacola	26	0	0
12	Fred W. Homans	Tampa	7	0	0

Precautions taken by local authorities against Guatemala: Six days' detention of passengers and no communication with vessels.

CHINA.

Reports from Hongkong—Quarantine restrictions—Plague, smallpox, and cholera—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hough reports, July 17:

Week ended July 11:

Restrictions enforced by Hongkong remain as reported on June 13.

Restrictions enforced against Hongkong remain as reported on June 13.

Quarantinable diseases: Plague 36 cases, 28 deaths; smallpox 2 cases, 2 deaths; cholera 2 cases, 2 deaths.

Vessels inspected and granted bills of health, 8.

Examination of aliens bound from Hongkong to the Philippine Islands during the week ended July 4: Examined, 34; rejected (for trachoma), 16.

Week ended July 11: Examined 59; rejected for fever, 42.

COSTA RICA.

Report from Limon, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports:

Week ended August 8: Estimated population, 6,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
Aug. 2	Limon	Boston	44	6	0
3	Prinz Aug. Wilhelm	New York	133	108	6
5	Chickahominy	New Orleans	46	1	0
5	Ellis	do	36	2	23
7	Matina	New York	47	4	0
7	Antonio Lopez	Ponce, P. R.	125	35	145
8	Hispania	New Orleans	20	0	0

Four bills of health for Panaman ports were viséed, and certificates issued to 36 passengers bound for Colon.